

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) ) Jarod GUERTIN *et al.*  
Application No. ) 09/550,649  
Filing Date ) April 17, 2000  
Title ) METHOD OF TESTING BIT ERROR RATES FOR A  
WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEXED  
OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM  
Examiner ) David S. Kim  
Art Unit ) 2613

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 27, 2007, rejecting Claims 1-22 of the above-referenced Application, in which Claims 1-22 are pending, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered and remarks be considered. In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the Application is now in condition for allowance, without further search, and respectfully request such action.

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